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Gail Marshall, RPC Chair  
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Dear Ms. Marshall:

Thank you for your letter dated March 28, 2008 in which you provided an update on the status of School Union 98's efforts toward school administrative reorganization.

As you know, the 123<sup>rd</sup> Legislature ended its session on April 18, 2008. Although the legislation enacted regarding school administrative reorganization does not go into effect until July 18, 2008, P.L. 2007, chapter 240, Part XXXX-5, 20-A MRSA chapter 1, sub-section 26(C) will permit a school administrative unit to propose an alternative organizational structure (AOS) to the commissioner for approval.

If you plan to submit a reorganization plan containing an AOS, you must file a new Notice of Intent stating this. Also, the plan submitted for the AOS must adhere to the provisions of PL 2007, chapter 240, Part XXXX, section 36.

Please submit your Reorganization Plan Submittal Sheet, Reorganization Plan Cover Sheet (checklist), and Reorganization Plan by Friday, June 13, 2008.

In the meantime, if you have questions or concerns, I encourage you to contact Ray Poulin or Norm Higgins of our Reorganization Team. They may be reached by phone at 624-6802.

Sincerely,

Susan A. Gendron  
Commissioner of Education

cc: Robert Liebow, Superintendent, Union 98  
Brian Hubbell, Vice-chair RPC